

THE BUDGET SITUATION

The Student Body was addressed by Dr. Burk on February 8, concerning the present position of the school. He assured us that as far as we are concerned it will probably be possible for us to complete our course. At any rate, no action will be taken until later.

Mr. McSheehy of the Board of Supervisors said a few words in praise of the stand which Dr. Burk took, and said that he would do all in his power to help us.

We have high hopes and encouragements; we shall take things calmly, having faith that all will turn out for the best.

Sitting one day, gazing into the blue sky sunlit with glory, I beheld a mountain far off in the blue. Crowning its top in magnificent grandeur was a great, white building. This was gleaming with a radiance that dazzled so as to almost blind me as I gazed. But I found that this shining iridescence came not from without but from within. It was peculiarly indescribable but none the less real, and one felt rather than beheld its presence.

Approaching nearer, in thought, I found that it had many windows and many doors both to let in and to give out light. Coming still closer I beheld many people coming out of and going into the building. Those coming out had captured some of the light, and it shone in their eyes; while those going in went with eager uplifted faces ready to receive the light.

Approaching still nearer I saw some words on a great arch under which the people were passing. I could not make them out, for a mist was beginning to come over my eyes.

In sudden fear lest the vision disappear I glanced quickly to left and right and saw what I had not seen before. The mountain was no longer by itself, but set in the midst of a great city which was strangely familiar, although I had not seen its like before.

I was puzzled, when suddenly a voice beside me said, "Do you not recognize the building on the mountain? It is something which many hope for as the fulfillment of a promise?"

"Then it's only a hope," I said distractedly. "But tell me --".

"It is menaced by the black cloud which you see approaching from the North, which may not only obscure it from view but destroy it entirely."

And, indeed, to my dismay a great black cloud resembling dense smoke had completely obscured my view and I no longer beheld the building on the mountain. I knew not what to think. I should have been disappointed had I not remembered that the voice had said "may"; and therein lay a great deal of meaning.

However, there was the word "destroy", but such was the beauty and radiance of the light that I felt it would be saved somehow. Then I knew that others had seen the light and that somehow, in some way, it would be kept burning.

OUR COLLEGE IN THE LIMELIGHT

Did you see your picture in the paper? Did you read the article about our college in last night's paper?

These are the usual questions being asked daily around the school. Since our present predicament, owing to the cut in our College appropriations, has become known, the newspapers have come gallantly to our aid. "The Call," "Chronicle," "Daily News", and the "Examiner" have all given their hearty support. Special thanks should be extended to Ernestine Black of the "Call" and Mr. McDonald of the "Daily News."

Another gentleman to which our college owes much gratitude is Supervisor McSheehy of the Educational Committee of the Board of Supervisors. He has been back of us right from the start! When Mr. McSheehy spoke, he said that he felt it was an honor to have had the opportunity of meeting such a man as Our President. "Your President," he said, "is a true American! I am with him heart and soul!" (so are we all of us, Mr. McSheehy!)

Speaking of our delapidated building, Supervisor McSheehy said that there could be no better argument for our immediate need.

It is scarcely news to most of us that Miss Ward departed for the East the latter part of January. September will find her with us again. In the meantime, Mrs. McKay, Miss Crumpton, and Miss Vance are very ably carrying on the dean's work. Mrs. McKay is shouldering the deanship phase of the work and each day endears herself to more girls.

Besides devoting her time to her own duties, Miss Crumpton spends many moments acting as our new Student Body Advisor.

Girls, Mrs. McKay says, "Every day in every way I hear less in the halls." Keep up the good work girls and let us have our halls in perfect condition.

CHANGES IN THE FACULTY

Miss Bemus has arrived from Santa Ana to take Miss Smith's place as drawing supervisor in the training school. Miss Smith will continue Mr. Augsburg's work.

Miss Burkholder, who has taken her place as grammar teacher since the first of the year, was recently general supervisor of the Junior High School at the Teachers' College, Winona, Minnesota. She received her Ph.D. at the University of Chicago and her professional training at the State Teachers' College, Emporia, Kansas.

There have been several changes in the offices of the Faculty. Miss Vance has a new office and Miss Levy is now occupying the office vacated by Miss Vance. Mrs. McKay may be found in Miss Ward's office and Miss Bemus is with Mrs. Dorris.

MISS KEMPTHORNE

Miss Kempthorne, the organizer of the Camp Fire Girls' Clubs all over the country, addressed the English Club on February 7. She was able to tell us interesting things about the organization, its purpose, requirements and pleasures. She showed the girls one of the interesting ceremonial robes which every Camp Fire Girl owns. It was elaborately decorated with symbols and beads of many colors, each representing an achievement in some activity.

MRS. MADDOX

Mrs. Maddox, who is President of a large civic organization and has done community work in Palo Alto, addressed us on February 8. She told us that our just inheritances were equality, tolerance, and brotherhood.

SUMMER DREAMS

The lure of the summer is upon
me,
My thoughts wander far from
school.
I loaf, in my dreams, in the sun-
light,
And listen to the ocean waves
roll.

I loaf, half asleep, but I listen
To the gulls which soar over-
head,
I forget the four walls which
surround me,
And over warm sea sands I tread.

The ships so dainty and graceful,
Are as bits of a cloud that
fall,
Now they drop, now they rise in
the sunlight,
As if to answer my call.

Thus I dream of the seas and the
sunshine,
Throughout endless school hours
of toil.
The bell!--My classes!--And late
again!
How duty one's dreams can
spoil!

ORCHESTRA

There is some talent in this school
that is being kept hidden. You people
who can play a musical instrument
(and we know quite well who you are)
seem to find joy in obscurity. If you
enjoy playing music that is just
difficult enough to be interesting,
why don't you show up for Orchestra
practice on Wednesday evenings from 7:30
to 9:30? You would not only be help-
ing yourself, for practice hurts no one,
but you would be helping the Orchestra
by adding to our numbers.

We are planning to give a recital
and dance early in March and need your
cooperation. Try us once!

"Give this old world a smile
We stay at longest but a little
while."

Rick says that every time she gets
on the ferry it makes her cross.

THIS FREEDOM.

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This Freedom, one of the
year's most popular novels, by
A.S.M. Hutchinson, is rather ir-
relevant to recommend to pros-
pective teachers, in that the
whole book is a dissertation
on men as they are seen and
accounted for by Rosalie.

When she was quite young, she
classified all men in grouping
as follows:

"Tame Cats--much married, sub-
dued, miserable creatures. Tabby
Cats--soft, fattish, old-womanish
Cheshire Cats--the kind that
grinned out of a vacuous mind
and could never look at a wo-
man without smirking. Tom Cats--
the beastly ones with small,
beady eyes, no apparent eyelids,
set in a puffy face like cur-
rents in a slab of cold pud-
ding, that glared at everything
and everyone, as if it were to
be devoured. Wild-Cats--the
roamers, the untamed ones, those
with cruel and wicked faces
that made you not sick but
frightened. Stray Cats--the
lonely ones that seemed to have
something, or to be lost, that
seemed to need looking after, or
the whole the only really bear-
able ones--But all Cats!"

Rosalie believes that Woman
has a right to work, to travel,
and to just as much independence
as Man, even tho' she happens to
be married; also that she must
contribute her share of money
toward the home and that this
done, she have equal indepen-
dence.

The story is an exceedingly
interesting application of
these ideals, and in their cul-
mination lies Hutchinson's an-
swer to this problem.

Here's to the girl who reads
her own "Vigilante"
And reads her own "Vigilante
alone,
For many a girl reads another
girl's "Vigilante"
When she should be reading her
own.

SCHOOL OPEN FORUM

(Letters Invited)

Every day
It's the same old story
in the same old way
Vibrating forth
From the vocal cords
Of a great many girls
Who stand in front
Of the library desk
About quitting time
From 3 o'clock
And bellow forth
Across the desk
At the poor librarian
The simple words,
But mystifying,
"Any Human Traits" left?
And I sometimes think
It 'twould sound strange
To any poor stranger
Within our gates
And if he'd start
To reflect
Or rationalize
He'd figure out
That we must be
So very inhuman
That we've lost all trace
Of humanity's traits
And for all it seems
So very foolish
To conjure thus,
It's almost true,
For there are some girls
In this institution
Who do not seem
To give a care
Whether anyone
Except them
Knows a thing at all.
For "Human Traits"
Is just a book,
And a very good book
By a very good author
Whose name is Edman.
And there are some people
Who manage to keep
On reserving Edman
Night after night
unceasingly.
And we poor girls
Out in city schools
Who are far off
And miss the rush
That must occur
On very morning

To reserve this book
Are out of luck
When it comes time
To discuss this book
In political science.
And if you please,
We'd like a chance
Once in a while
To see some parts
Of a "Human Traits"
Besides the cover
- - - - -

And furthermore
We'd like to say
That this is true
Of any Book
Which is in demand.

We thank you. Casey B.

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Mary took a little book
From out the shelves one day.
But Mary didn't take it back,
And now she has to pay.

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STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

"A word to the wise is sufficient". If this is so, girls, we may all attach to ourselves the epitaph "wise," for Miss Miller says it has taken but a word now and again to bring out the good spirit and cooperative attitude that seem lurking very near the surface in every single member of the Student Body. Girls, you have cooperated wonderfully, and your little thoughtful acts have finally succeeded in making our library a place where those seeking imposed or self-inflicted knowledge can assimilate it without being distracted by suppressed laughing and pleasurable talk. Talking in the library is now a problem solved, and so we have done at least one tiny thing to show our appreciation of all that we have received.

Still the list of things we must do to make our cooperation absolute and complete is somewhat lengthy. As a sex, are we naturally careless or forgetful? We must be; else why the great numbers of our overdue books? Remember, keeping books overtime, adds very considerably to the work of the already overtaxed librarians.

'Tis criminal to keep a coveted book overtime when so many of us are aching to get our hands on it. Then too, isn't it rather selfish to reserve a book, and then neglect to take it home?

However, Miss Miller, thinks the girls were exceedingly thoughtful in their use of the "Century Hand Book," "Robinson," and "Edman."

Girls, this month let's see if Miss Miller can have it to say that we have risen one more step on the ladder to a perfect working of the library. It's up to us, you know! for efficiency and helpfulness we have offered us in quantities. Let us show that we appreciate it!

Abbie Bryant.
Aug. '21.

OUR NEW YELL LEADER

Nominations and election of the new Yell Leader were held during last week. Miss Iris Young of the January '23 class was elected Leader while Miss Minnie Legge was elected as her assistant. We are confident that with such able Leaders our rallies shall have plenty of spirit and "pep."

OUR VALENTINE PARTY

The Assembly Hall was the scene of a Valentine Festivity on Thursday, Feb. 15. Our president, Helen Edwards, opened the program with a short talk and an introduction to our new yell leader. The program consisted of a reading, a clever skit presented by the Aug. '22 class and "College Cut-ups", presented by Aug. '21.

Lovely valentines in the form of cream hearts covered with chocolate were distributed to the girls.

A dance in the gymnasium was the last feature of the afternoon's entertainment.

JANUARY '23 ENGLISH CLUB (5)

On January 23 the English Club, now composed of the October, January and February girls, met. Miss Dorothy Prentice was elected president; Miss Grace Mosby, vice-president; Miss Alice Clancy, secretary. The members of the Club enjoyed an interesting talk by Dr. Alice Barrows on "Creative Teaching". The speaker is a sister of Miss Sarah Barrows of our Faculty.

FACULTY PERSONALS

It is good news to hear that Miss Holman, who has been ill for some time, is recuperating, and expects to be with us in the near future. Miss Dold, whom we all remember in connection with our library, is ably carrying on the work of Miss Holman in the Children's Library.

Miss Alderson of our Faculty has just returned to school again. She was confined to her home for a number of weeks on account of illness. We are glad to hear of your recovery, Miss Alderson, and we are glad that you are able to resume your work because we miss you!

Another member of our Faculty who has been on the sick list is Mrs. Cooch. The girls who have the pleasure of knowing you best have anxiously awaited your return Mrs. Cooch! Hurry back for we shall be glad to see you!

If you are in doubt as to whether you should read "Bachelor Bill," ask Dr. Rypins.

HEARD LATELY!

Student---"I am indebted to you for all I know."

Miss Levy---"Pray don't mention such a trifle."

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EDITORIAL

We have heard much said about the term "Group Feeling"; but have we stopped to think of the real meaning of those words? Just what do they mean? Let us say that "Group Feeling" means the desire to work for what is best for all; in other words to cooperate and put all the best things on top.

For a moment, let us think what would happen to a country that did not know the meaning of cooperation-group feeling. Would it not be in a state of turmoil and chaos? What would it accomplish and where would it stand? If we desire our country to have good qualities, surely those qualities must first exist in each and every one of us.

Let's try to acquire the group feeling! The W.A.A. presents a wonderful opportunity in which to acquire it, so come along, girls,

and cooperate with the group which is now boosting the W.A.A. It will make a real sportswoman of you. You will be a much desired person for a sportswoman is the individual who makes a real friend. We want you! Come and enter into our athletics! Learn to become real all-round sports! Come on girls, it's lots of fun!

W.A.A. BANQUET

Good eats and fun reigned supreme at our first W.A.A. banquet on January 22. A hundred strong they came, Faculty and girls, and joined in the merry-making. Beth Clark, the outgoing president, presided over the board and started the evening off by requesting two of our Faculty members to display their shoe-shines for the inspection of the guests. They very agreeably complied by marching down the aisle between the tables. The shoe-shines passed inspection.

The banquet proceeded, and the newly elected officers were introduced. "Cookie" (Isabel Cook) as the new president, "Marg" Holland, as vice-president, "Babe" Gleason, as secretary, and "Ted" Ginno as the recording secretary. Each made a speech, promising to do her best to hold the W.A.A. to its ideals.

Toward the end of the dinner Alice Gibson made a speech in the name of the association telling Miss Ward, the guest of honor, how much the girls all appreciated the interest she had taken in them and promising that the girls would to the best of their ability, keep the high standards she had set for them. In turn Miss Ward spoke a few words to the girls saying how much they had meant to her during her career as girls' dean.

During the dinner the Faculty had been duly warned that they would be required to stage a stunt so at the close of the dinner they all retired to the outer rooms. In a very few minutes the melancholy strains

of Mendelssohn's Wedding March" being played by Mrs. McCauley. Then entered the bridal procession. Miss Florence Hale was the blushing bride and received the adoring glances of the dignified groom, Miss England. Miss Levy, as the august minister, was a grand success. The rest of the faculty added to the dignity(?) of the ceremony as flower girls and chief mourners.

SWIMMING

The swimming practices which are held at Sutro Baths every Thursday afternoon are coming along "smiling and swimmingly." About sixty girls attend classes and can boast of some new aquatic accomplishments. The elementary and intermediate sections are making rapid progress, most of them having overcome the dread of getting a wet face. They are now beginning the simpler strokes and are getting the real thrills of swimming. The advanced section, besides receiving technical instructions in the various strokes of swimming is getting practical teaching experience. The girls who are doing practice are: E. Maher, M. Schubert, F. Gleason, M. Skelly, D. Steele and D. Holtz.

Mrs. Mackie as coach and Miss Hale as Faculty Advisor are accomplishing much to the interest of the girls. It is now required that all girls majoring in physical education know something of swimming. Here is also an excellent opportunity for those who have often wanted to learn to swim.

Swimming, being a W.A.A. activity deserves to have some competition. It is planned to have an interclass swimming meet early in the spring. The meet will be based on form mainly, speed being a secondary consideration. Work hard, ye juniors and seniors, elementary and advanced, get your swimming form perfected.

It is hoped that in the near future we may have competition with San Jose State Teachers'

College. This meet will count as speed competition; so here's your chance. Start practicing and see what S.F.S.T.C. can do in swimming!

BASKETBALL

The very air is charged with it! Certain girls around school seem fairly to radiate information and expectation. At all the corners in the building the school (in groups) discusses the big day, March Tenth, because this is the day when our basketball players are going to show what they can do when they play San Jose.

August '21, January '22, August '22 and January '23 are working into fine shape. Four teams are working faster, practicing longer and really striving harder than any four teams ever did before!

"January '23" has a strange sound because this is the newest in the school. Manager Iris Young has worked hard to get the new girls out and hopes to get a first team of the best sort.

To go from the lowliest to the high and mighty, the team of Aug. '21. This was the team that won the interclass.

As to Jan. and Aug. '22, it may be said that the form they showed in the recent interclass is being maintained by weekly practices.

With basketball going as well as this, how can anyone doubt the results of the games on the Tenth?

TENNIS

Perhaps there are not many girls who know the advantages of tennis at S.F.S.T.C. One of the physical education requirements acquired since last term, is that every girls not only know the theory of the game but be able to execute the various strokes.

Tennis is to be recognized by the W.A.A. Class tournaments

are to be held, the final one determining the school "champ".

All of you girls interested in tennis, start in regularly with your racquet and balls and use the courts to advantage.

Here's to tennis, the ace of all games,
It increases your skill and limbers your frame.

It's good for the health and keeps you fit.

It quickens your step, and sharpens your wit.

You slash, you slice; you cut at the ball,

And before you have finished, your'e sure to "love all!"

W.A.A. NOTES

The W.A.A. of the S.F.S.T.C. has just successfully completed the first semester of its career. The organization is in fairly good working order and sports have been started.

The invitation from San Jose to participate in a play day at San Jose has been discussed and the club has voted to accept the invitation. Both basketball and volley ball are to be played, therefore it is necessary that our teams get started immediately. Miss M. Skelly has been appointed volley ball manager.

It has been decided that we accept an invitation to join the national Western Division of the W.A.A. and send a delegate to the conference at Stanford in April.

Volley ball practice has been going well. The girls have been responding in this as in all things and we're going to "clean" San Jose.

In connection with our grip South, wouldn't it be pretty good, girls, to take a rooting section that would make San Jose fell ill? It would! Backing means victory!

• We need support! Come on S.F. ----- LET'S GO!

If the girls lose the game, will the basket bawl?

JOKES

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Miss Preston, in Physiology and Hygiene--"These germs get into the blood vessel and dam it up. The blood supply cannot reach the vessel, and so that part dies--now girls, what did I say the germs do to a blood vessel?"

From back row of chairs comes Cookie's voice exultantly--
"dam-it!"

Student--"Where is Miss Carter?"
Miss Alderson--"She is in the library. She was sent there for misbehavior."

Dr. Rypins--"Where did first fire come from?"

Eleanor O'L. - "Hades."

Sylvia--"I thought you were pursuing your studies at Stanford."

Past Pupil--"I was, but I couldn't catch up to them."

It begins to look these days as if "Nobody Loves Us."

A promising kindergarten youngster stopped Mr. Mitchell on the playground and said, "Say, would you like to go to heaven?"

Mr. Mitchell said, "Yes, of course. Wouldn't you?"

The youngster, emphatically, "Yes, if there weren't any Normal Schools there or any old stairs!"

FOUND! DEFINITION OF SCHOOL!

School is a disagreeable interruption of continual pleasure.

Editor--"Here are a poem and a story written by the same person. Which shall we publish?"
Asst. Ed.--"The story by all means."

Editor--"Have you read it?"
Asst. Ed.--"No, but I read that poem!"